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drink minimum.

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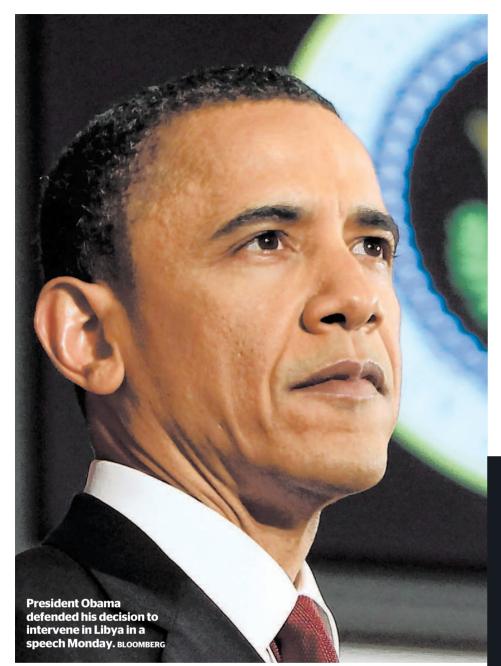
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Libyan rebels target **Gadhafi's birthplace**

Opposition fighters continued to push west Monday, entering territory loyal to Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, but were quickly beaten back, rebels said, highlighting the tenuous nature of their recent gains.

As they moved into Umm el Ghindelnear Sirte, Gadhafi's birthplace-opposition fighters began searching homes and found that Gadhafi's forces had armed residents in the area, they said. As they were talking to residents, asking them to join

the opposition, gunfire broke out. Rebels said they refused to fire back and began a hasty retreat. A stream of vehicles could be seen fleeing the area.

CNN could not independently confirm details of what had transpired.

Taking Sirte would be a symbolic victory for the rebels, who regained control of several significant towns over the weekend as coalition airstrikes continued. Rebels said the fight to take over Sirte could be their toughest and bloodiest battle yet.

OBAMA'S BIGPITCH

U.S., ALLIES INTERVENED TO PREVENT MASSACRE IN LIBYA, PRESIDENT ARGUES

President Obama made his case Monday night for intervention in Libya, addressing the nation amid tough calls for him to clarify the country's role in the U.N.-authorized military mission.

Both Democrats and Republicans have criticized the president's policy in the war-torn North African nation. Among other things, they have questioned the purpose of the mission, as well as its cost, endgame and consequences for the broader Arab world.

Speaking at the National Defense University in Washington, Obama argued a failure to act would have carried a far greater price. CNN, REUTERS

REPUBLICAN RESPONSE

Libvan leader Moammar Gadhafi must have been comforted to hear the president say that seeking regime change in Libya would be a mistake, Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) said Monday.

"If we tell Gadhafi, 'Don't worry, you won't be removed by force,' I think that's very encouraging to Gadhafi," McCain said after President Obama's

Overall, however, McCain said Obama made a "strong case" for the military effort in Libya.

KEY QUOTES FROM OBAMA

"Of course, there is no question that Libya and the world-will be better off with [President Moammar] Gadhafi out of power. ... But broadening our military mission to include regime change would be a mistake."

"While our military mission is narrowly focused on saving lives, we continue to pursue the broader goal of a Libya that belongs not to a dictator, but to its people."

"We have intervened to stop a massacre, and we will work with our allies and partners as they're in the lead to maintain the safety of civilians."

"It is true that America cannot use our military wherever repression occurs. But that cannot be an argument for never acting on behalf of what's right."

"To brush aside America's responsibility as a leader and—more profoundly—our responsibilities to our fellow human beings under such circumstances would have been a betrayal of who we are."



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RIDER'S BLOCK

My pledge to ride every CTA bus line continues. I rode the No. 85-Central last week and boiled my review down to a tweet. @tracyswartz 46 mins from Columbus Park to Forest Glen bus garage. Large parks, incl Portage, provide the best scenery. Connects to Green. Blue lines.

100 routes down, 39 to go!

Next up: No. 154-Wrigley Field Express.

100 CTA rides = countless stories

On Friday, Going Public rode her 100th CTA bus from start to finish. The bus, the No. 85-Central, began at Columbus Park in Austin and ended, fittingly, at the Forest Glen bus garage on the Northwest Side.

That's where GP has spent the past two years: Among the buses. With 39 routes to go in her goal to get schooled on each CTA line, GP takes a ride down memory lane and assigns superlatives to some of the CTA's classiest routes.

» Most unforgettable: A packed bus is enough of a turnoff. But last year on the No. 53-Pulaski, GP was "lucky" enough to sit next to a drunk man who spat food on his neighbor (this girl) and a pleasant woman with a toenail that could have been used as a shank.

FLOWER POWER

Red Line riders may notice an unfamiliar smell coming from the pedway that attaches to the Lake Red Line station. But don't worry-the aroma, a lavender-chamomile blend. comes from Macy's, which is celebrating its annual Flower Show that runs through April 10. A spokeswoman said the release of the aroma is activated by commuters' footsteps which "pop" microscopic fragrance capsules in the pedway.

- » Most dependable: The No. 151-Sheridan, which travels between Rogers Park and Union Station, is the backbone of the North Side—if you don't mind crawling to your destination. Nevertheless, there always seems to be a No. 151 waiting outside Union Station—like a very slow stalker.
- **» Most likely to succeed:** Even though the No. 4-Cottage Grove stops by Columbia, IIT, Chicago State University and the University of Chicago, it doesn't feel like a school bus. Or "Old School."
- » Biggest flirt: Best pickup line GP received was in 2009 on the No. 75-74th/75th: "You got kids?"
- » Most athletic: The No. 19-United-Center-Express travels between Michigan Avenue and the United Center on Blackhawks and Bulls game days. If there was a "booziest" award in yearbooks, this line would win that title too.
- » Most likely to end up on a reality show: During the 78-minute ride on the No. 36-Broadway bus last year, GP spotted lots of pajama pants and a woman wearing an award around her neck to denote she is "the world's greatest best friend."
- » Cutest couple: The No. 80-Irving-Park bus seems to regularly travel in bus-bunching pairs. GP caught four of them arriving together last year. Double date?
- **» Most spontaneous:** This award goes to the No. 95E 93rd-95th driver who got off the bus mid-run in November, presumably to go to the bathroom. His passengers were forced to sit on the bus, which was still running, in Calumet Heights for 10 minutes until he returned.

For a photographic look at 100 CTA bus rides, go to redeyechicago.com/goingpublic.



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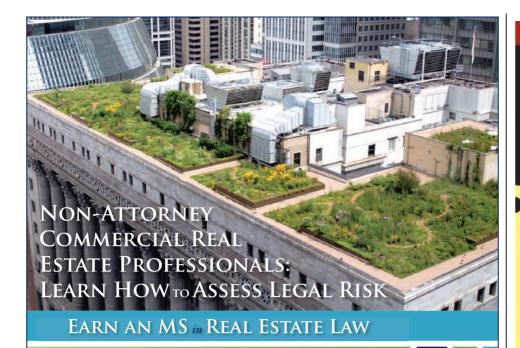
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GOOSE CONTROL

IS BIGGER BETTER? DEAL WILL ALLOW BREWERY TO MEET GROWING DEMAND

Chicago Tribune

Talk about a brouhaha.

Beer lovers were abuzz Monday when Anheuser-Busch, the nation's biggest brewer, said it would buy Chicago's Goose Island for \$38.8 million.

For Goose Island beer drinkers, the big question is how the change in control of the company will affect the quality of the

"They didn't buy us to change what we're doing," Goose Island founder John Hall said Monday. If A-B was going to water down the product, he said, "I wouldn't have done it. I wouldn't have worked 23 years to build what I have to [throw] it away in five minutes."

The move comes as many popular craft brewers are faced with cutting their distribution areas because of the popularity of their brews, or even selling out completely. A-B, which is owned by Anheuser-Busch InBev of Belgium, will invest \$1.3 million to expand Goose Island's brewing capacity.

"We've been growing and you reach a point and you have to keep growing or you stop," Hall said. "We've had difficulty meeting demand." He added that the company had to drop certain beers, such as Hex Nut Brown Ale, Oatmeal stout and Christmas ale.

WHAT ABOUT THE PUBS?

Goose Island's two brewpubs in the city, on Clark Street and Clybourn Avenue, are not involved in the deal and will continue to be owned by founder John Hall and a group of partners. TRIBUNE



Bottles of Goose Island Summertime beer make their way down the conveyor belt Monday at the Fulton Street brewery. ANTONIO PEREZ/TRIBUNE

"These are beers people liked but we had to drop because we didn't have capacity," Hall, 68, said. He will stay on as CEO.

His son, Goose Island brewmaster Greg Hall, who will step down next month, acknowledged the debate as well.

"Some people will think this is not the best news," he said. Still, with A-B's backing and increased distribution, "there are a heck of a lot of people who have never heard of Goose

1989

1988

Island who will be able to try us."

Harry Schuhmacher, publisher of Beer Business Daily, said that A-B has a "pretty good" track record of remaining hands-off with the craft-style brewers it's invested in. But it's never owned one outright. (Craft beer, incidentally, is expected to make up 11 percent of total beer consumption this year.)

"It's going to turn off some drinkers," Schuhmacher said. On the other hand, he added, the best-selling "craft" beer is Blue Moon, which is owned by MillerCoors.

The big shake-up on the local beer scene, though jarring in an industry that prides itself on independence and creativity, was not completely unexpected.

A-B has had a hand in the company since 2006, when the Portland, Ore.-based Craft Brewers Alliance—of which A-B has a minority interest—took a minority ownership of

1998

BEERS OVER THE YEARS

Did you know the founder of Goose Island happened on the idea while reading an in-flight magazine? Or that two of the company's locations have the same numerical address? Take a look at the company's local lore. REDEYE John Hall flips through an in-flight magazine to pass time during a plane delay and reads an article about boutique beers. "I must be the only person in history who made a major career decision on the basis of a Delta Sky article," he says in his company bio.

1987

1986

Hall opens Goose Island Clybourn Brewpub at 1800 N. Clybourn Ave.

1991

1990



Hall and his son open Goose Island Fulton Street Brewery at 1800 W. Fulton St.

1994

1995

Hall and his son open Goose Island Wrigleyville Brewpub one block from Wrigley Field at 3535 N. Clark St.

1996

1997

42,953 barrels produced at the Fulton Street brewery

1999



GOOSE ISLAND

Headquarters: Chicago

Founded: 1988

Production volume: 110,877 barrels ('09)

Brands: More than 50

Distribution: Nearly 30 states and four overseas markets

ANHEUSER-BUSCH

Headquarters:

St. Louis

Founded: 1852

Production volume: 104.9 million barrels ('09)

Brands: More than 100

Distribution: Worldwide

SOURCES: COMPANY REPORTS. BEER MARKETER'S INSIGHTS

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JUST ASKING

Chicagotribune.com asked its readers, "Is Anheuser-Busch's takeover of Goose Island good news or bad news for Chicago beer drinkers?'

Good news: 5 percent

Bad news: 84 percent

It won't make a difference: 11 percent

3.378 TOTAL RESPONSES.



Patrick O'Neill serves up a Goose Island India Pale Ale at the Clybourn Avenue brewpub. HEATHER STONE/TRIBUNE FILE

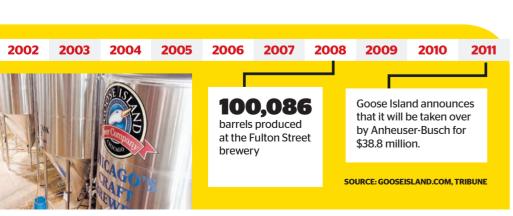
the company. A-B has played a role in Goose Island's distribution ever since.

According to the Brewers Association, a beer cannot technically be referred to as a craft if more than 25 percent of the brewery is owned by any entity that is not itself a craft brewer. Julia Herz, craft beer program director at the association, noted that Goose Island has not been classified as a craft beer since 2006.

The Goose Island deal involved two steps. A-B said it will acquire Craft Brewers' 42 percent stake in Goose Island for \$16.3 million and the remaining 58 percent of the company for \$22.5 million. A-B promised the Halls that it would not to make major changes to the brewer. Instead, the plan is to expand distribution of Goose products in the Midwest to determine which products might also do well in markets farther afield.

While Honker's Ale, India Pale Ale and 312 Urban Wheat already enjoy broad awareness, A-B president Dave Peacock pointed to smaller-batch products such as Matilda, Sofie and Bourbon County Stout as products likely to appeal to a wider audience.

"You don't want to change what's working," Peacock said. "It would be crazy to change the taste of their products."





Meet the new guy

Goose goes in-house to pick its new brewmaster

By Emily Van Zandt

REDEYE

Beer isn't his middle name, but it's pretty

Brett Porter-whose last name is spelled identically to the porter style of dark beer-was named Monday as Goose Island's new brewmaster.

He is slated to take the top spot May I from Brewmaster Greg Hall, the son of the company's CEO, who is shifting to a consulting role after having been brewmaster since 1995.

Porter, 47, has been head brewer at Goose Island since May after coming to Chicago from Bend, Ore., where he worked as head brewer for Deschutes Brewery.

His promotion comes on the heels of the announcement Monday that the Chicago-based brewing powerhouse is being taken over by Anheuser-Busch, a subsidiary of Belgium-based Anheuser-Busch InBev N.V.

While the Park Ridge resident says he was ready for the announcement (he'd known about the Anheuser-Busch purchase "for a while"), he wasn't ready for some of the negative reactions from Goose Island fans.

"I wasn't prepared for the things that I've heard and seen people saying," Porter said Monday. "It seems to be the biggest story in Chicago today."

He said it will be only a matter of time before people see that the changes won't be affecting their favorite brews. "The beer is going to speak for itself," Porter said. "[People need to] give us a chance to

3 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT BRETT PORTER

- » He has a killer resume: His beers at Deschutes Brewery in Oregon (where he worked from 2005-2010 as head brewer) racked up more than 150 awards.
- » He can't wait to get out of the office: "I need to make a name for myself like Greg Hall has," Porter said. "He's a beer icon here. ... I need to get out from behind my desk and be more a part of Chicago.
- » He likes good pho: Restaurants on Argyle Street have become a favorite for Porter, who loves the Vietnamese noodle soup.

show how important the beer is to us."

In a release, the company quoted Hall as supporting the move.

"Brett is a fantastic brewer," Hall is quoted as saying. "His years brewing in the Northwest made him a perfect choice for head brewer last year and a natural choice for the next Goose Island brewmaster.

Porter also addressed critics who have expressed concern that the purchase by Anheuser-Busch will compromise the quality of Goose Island, saying the companies have partnered for distribution since 2006.

"I'm very positive about all of this," Porter said. "I'm just hoping that I can fill Greg Hall's shoes. ... I've already learned a lot from him. I've had very good teachers and I intend to use those lessons."



Wrigleyville abuzz with talk of advertising, hot dogs and street closures

By Leonor Vivanco

REDEYE

With baseball season starting this week, the Cubs have issued a letter to Lakeview residents reminding them of the team's wishes to create a festival-like atmosphere on Sheffield Avenue on some weekends.

"We are working with the city of Chicago and local residents and businesses to create a street festival on Sheffield Avenue during the most popular series this season-weekends against the New York Yankees, Chicago White Sox and St. Louis Cardinals," Michael Lufrano, Cubs executive vice president for community affairs, wrote in a newsletter delivered this weekend to Wrigleyville residents.

The newsletter details neighborhood protection activities during the Cubs season and events at Wrigley Field, such as operating remote parking lots and bicycle valet and emptying public trash cans.

"Sheffield Avenue is closed regularly for baseball games and this festival would allow the team to use the space to offer expanded food and beverage options and other amenities for fans."

The idea was tested during the November Northwestern University football game against University of Illinois at Wrigley Field. Lufrano said it was successful for local busi-

The Cubs home opener is Friday. The team plays the Yankees the weekend of June 17, the Sox the weekend of July 1 and the Cardinals the weekend of Aug. 19. LVIVANCO@TRIBUNE.COM



IN OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS ...

- » The highly visible rooftop sign across the street from Wrigley Field will have a new advertiser this season. The Cubs announced Monday that United Airlines has bought the rights to advertise on the rooftop, which is beyond the left-field bleachers on Waveland Avenue.
- » Vienna Beef this season will once again become the official hot dog of the Cubs, it was announced. The company replaces Sara Lee's Ball Park franks. Vienna dogs were served at Wrigley prior to 1982. TRIBUNE

Who's Chicago's next hero?

Chicago Tribune

Faster than a speeding bullet came word that the next Superman movie would film in Chicago. And Monday the Chicago Film Office confirmed that production on director Zack Snyder's franchise reboot, "Superman: Man of Steel," will take place in the Chicago area.

No additional details, including filming locations and a start date, were given.

Earlier in the day Robert Hausler, mayor of Plano, a little more than 50 miles southwest of Chicago, said he expected there to be an announcement soon regarding a Warner Bros.

film-which he declined to name-shooting there this summer. "There's been quite a bit of talk about it," said Hausler, addressing the buzz in his city since a report Sunday tabbed it as a potential stand-in for Clark Kent's rural boyhood home. "It would be huge economically for our city."

"Superman: Man of Steel" will star Henry Cavill as Superman, Kevin Costner and Diane Lane as his adoptive parents and Amy Adams as Lois Lane. The movie will be the first film in the long-running franchise since 2006's "Superman Returns." "Man of Steel" is scheduled to hit theaters in December 2012.



President Obama will base his 2012 re-election campaign at One Prudential Plaza in Chicago. a Democratic official said Monday. Once the city's tallest building, the skyscraper at 130 E. Randolph St. overlooks Millennium Park. GETTYIMAGES

Man charged in Grant Park assault

A 45-year-old man on parole for armed robbery was charged Monday with robbing, beating and sexually assaulting a man in Grant Park last weekend. He was arrested in the Saturday morning assault near the park's General Logan monument.

City shutters Rogers Park restaurant

A Rogers Park Mediterranean restaurant was ordered closed Monday after inspectors found an infestation of mice, rats and other problems, officials said. Big Buns & Pita at 6649 N. Clark St. was closed after city inspectors witnessed the violations.

A plutonium leak?

The containment structure surrounding one of the reactors at a quake-battered nuclear power plant is damaged and may be leaking radioactive material, the Japanese government's point man on the crisis said Monday. The plant's owner disclosed that small amounts of plutonium had been found among contaminants around the facility late Monday.

BET star DJ Megatron killed

Corey McGriff, known to fans as DJ Megatron, was shot to death in Staten Island early Sunday, according to New York City police. McGriff, 32, was best known for his appearances on BET's music countdown show, "106 & Park."

Sprint attacks AT&T move

Sprint Nextel urged regulators to block AT&T's \$39 billion bid to buy Deutsche Telekom AG's T-Mobile USA. Sprint, the No. 3 U.S. mobile carrier, said in a statement Monday that the transaction would harm consumers and competition.

Executions drop worldwide

Thirty-one countries have abolished the death penalty but China, Iran, Saudi Arabia, the U.S. and Yemen remain among the most frequent executioners, according to a new report from Amnesty International released Monday. The human rights organization officially recorded at least 527 executions in 2010, down from at least 714 in 2009.

2 die when boat capsizes

Two men died and seven people were injured Sunday when a sailboat capsized off the west end of Shelter Island in San Diego, officials said. The injured, including three children, were hospitalized and are in stable condition.

Free gun with purchase

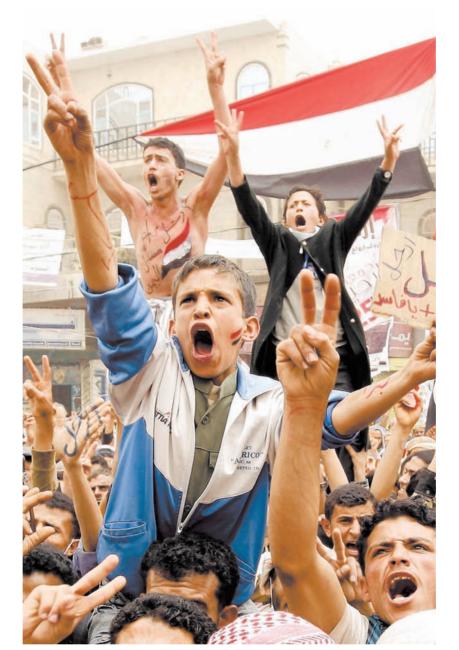
A Radio Shack owner in Montana has upped foot traffic at his Hamilton store by offering free guns for new satellite TV subscribers, according to a local newspaper.

Honk to stop your car

Lay off the horn, Jetta drivers. Volkswagen's U.S. unit recalled more than 71,000 Jetta sedans Monday due to a defect in the wiring system controlling the car horn that can cause the car to stall, a company spokeswoman said Monday.

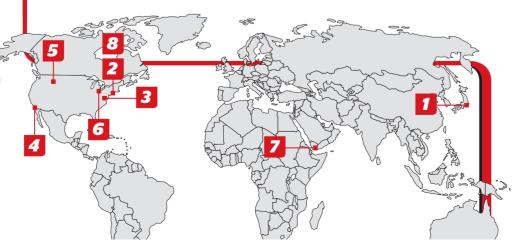
That's the national vacancy rate of homes, according to last week's decennial

census report. That's up from 12.1 percent in 2007.



Furv in Yemen

Yemeni anti-government protesters chant slogans against President Ali Abdullah Saleh during a demonstration Monday calling for an end to his 32year rule in the capital of Sanaa, a day after the embattled leader warned of Somalialike "chaos" in Yemen if he steps down without an agreed successor. **GETTY IMAGES**



America, home of the cheats?

YORK Meet the typical American tax cheat: He's male, single and under the age of 45.

At least that's what an annual survey by DDB Worldwide Communications Group found.

"While it's understandable that no one likes to pay taxes, we were surprised to find that

Why they do it

Many tax cheaters try to justify their behavior. Far more tax cheats said they are "overall better people" and that they are "special and deserve to be treated that way," compared with the people who said they don't cheat.

tax cheaters' overall willingness to engage in other unethical and illegal behavior is perhaps justified simply by their belief that they are special and deserve special treatment," said James Lou, U.S. chief strategist at DDB.

While only 15 percent of Americans surveyed fessed up to fudging their tax returns, 64 percent of those people were men, according to the survey of consumer attitudes and behavior. Thirty-five percent were single, and 55 percent were under the age of 45.

Self-proclaimed cheaters also are much more likely to keep the wrong change given to them by a cashier, to ask a friend to pretend to be a former boss for a reference check and to lie about their income to qualify for govern-

Many of them also said they would wear an outfit once and return it, file false insurance claims, keep money they see someone drop on the floor or lie about finding something inappropriate in their food just to get a free meal.

Outraged yet? Here are some other numbers that came out of the DDB survey.

of cheaters admitted to working a job under the table, while only 20 percent of non-cheaters did.

The survey found that people who cheat on their taxes generally have the same income levels as those who don't.

28%

of cheaters said they would take money from their child's piggy bank, while only 3 percent of non-cheaters would.

45%

Of cheaters identified themselves as "spenders rather than savers" compared with 32 percent of non-cheaters.







sports

BLACKHAWKS 3, DETROIT 2 (OT)



Blackhawks captain Jonathan Toews celebrates his first-period goal Monday against the Red Wings in Detroit. USPRESSWIRE

Motown mojo

Hossa's overtime goal boosts Hawks' playoff hopes

Chicago Tribune

Fighting for their postseason lives, the Black-hawks put together a performance worthy of the playoffs when they faced Detroit on Monday night at Joe Louis Arena.

Marian Hossa scored the game-winner while on the power play in overtime to lift the Hawks to a 3-2 victory over the Red Wings in front of a crowd of 20,066. Jonathan Toews and Brent Seabrook had goals in regulation for the Hawks while Nicklas Lidstrom and Henrik Zetterberg scored for the Wings.

Goaltender Corey Crawford earned his 30th

victory of the season as he outdueled fellow rookie Joey MacDonald to give the Hawks a crucial two points in the Western Conference playoff race.

Both teams were short-handed as forwards Patrick Sharp and Dave Bolland are sidelined for the Hawks while center Pavel Datsyuk and No. 1 goaltender Jimmy Howard are out for the Wings.

The teams will square off twice more, April 8 at Detroit and April 10 in Chicago.

After Monday's win, the Hawks were in seventh place in the Western Conference, pending Anaheim's late matchup with Colorado.

THE DIGIT

Goaltender Corey Crawford marked his 20th straight start for the Blackhawks on Monday; it was his 50th appearance overall this season. "I'm pretty settled in," the 26-year-old rookie said. "After a couple of months everyone pretty much gets comfortable with each other."

Listen up: Deng is vital

There are a lot of reasons why the Bulls are the best team in the Eastern Conference.

And while MVP Derrick Rose and Coach of the Year Tom Thibodeau are hugely responsible, the Bulls owe a lot of credit to a guy who's been overlooked. Someone we've even trashed in the past.

I'm talking about Luol Deng.

Deng reminds me



in a lot of ways of Donatello from the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. They have their leader and most talented guy in Leonardo (Rose); Raphael, the tough guy with an attitude (Carlos Boozer); and Michelangelo, the cool, fun dude (Joakim Noah).

But always overlooked is the quiet thinker Donatello. There's nothing flashy about Donatello. I mean, his weapon is just a big stick. But he works more on the engineering side, like Deng does with his defense, clearly the best on the team. And together the Turtles—like the Bulls—are unstoppable.

Deng has played in every game this year, something not to be taken lightly with all the Bulls' injuries. Before they played the Hawks on March 11, I was in the locker room watching him limp around with a bruised thigh. I thought there was no way he would play. Yet he did, putting up 18 points, nine boards and seven assists in 40 minutes. I couldn't believe it

After the game he sat with his legs in buckets of ice. He probably shouldn't have played, but instead logged the most minutes on the team. He's the type of guy Chicagoans should go crazy over and he's gone nearly unnoticed. He gets so little attention that when I hear him talk, I still expect him to have about three accents (he has none). But playing with a guy like Rose and not nearly hitting your head on the rim every time you dunk makes you easily overshadowed.

Deng may not have crazy hair. He isn't the big new acquisition. And he doesn't do things a few times a game that you don't think are humanly possible. But the Bulls wouldn't have had their success without Deng on the team.

It's time to take notice.

Cowabunga!

SCOTT BOLOHAN IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.

five on five

Opening day

luck as he joins our panel. You, however, don't need luck-just visit redevechicagonow.com/sports.



Underdogs are to the Final Four as.

Come up with your own nickname for the Bulls' bench players.

Why are the Hawks playing on Versus on consecutive nights?

How concerned are you that the Cubs and Sox both have losing records in spring training?

The Fire are undefeated so far. How long can they keep this up?

PHIL THOMPSON

... Ohio State is to underachieving. Did I not call it, Riles?

Since Versus doesn't have

real programming, they're

going to just keep the cam-

era rolling for 24 hours.

They'll get used to living

in the basement. Just ask

Until much later, or as their

Latino fans would say,

"Hasta Fuego."

Bench Please!

... hot dogs are to Natalie Portman. Man, she got big.

The Russian 5

SCOTT BOLOHAN

All the fish have been temporarily caught. Versus shows a lot of fishing.

Very. Now they might not win the World Series this

Until media pressure gets too intense. So, yeah, pretty much forever

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About as long as the Cubs can keep up their winning ways-not for long

JERRY RILES

A beautiful thing!

... the Bulls are to winning.

The Rose-riors! They battle

So fans won't have to watch

away as we head down the

their playoff hopes fade

like warriors just like the

league's next MVP!

stretch.

The Cubs and losing are synonymous. The Sox are waiting for the real deal.

KURT EVANS

fan in America.

... crushed dreams are to

the bracket of every NCAA

The Horns, because that's

what you get when you

mess with the Bulls

Johnson is seeing two or win. So probably April 9.

EVIL SUPERCOMPUTER

... viruses are to hardware. Lesser computers deal with these all the time.

The Minions, as all humans

will be one day.

The producers are hoping That's how I drive down to air the pummeling of viewership, Mwahaha! Bruins and Red Wings at

the hands of John Scott. Both should leave behind the reasons they are under

While Sean "Butterhands" three shots a game, they will They should be more concerned with my plans to

take over the scoreboards. Until May 1 or my day of

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Gnomeo and Juliet (G) 10:40,12:50,3:10

Big Mommas: Like Father, Like Son (PG-13)
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■ Limitless (PG-13) ★ 12:30,1:45,3:20,4:30,6:10,7:08,4:09,3:0,1:15

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■ Red Riding Hood (PG-13) 2:20,4:50,7:45,10:40

■ The Adjustment Bureau (PG-13) 2:30,5:00,7:40,10:20

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■ The Lincoln Lawyer (R) 11:15,2:10,5:10,8:25

■ AMC Independent Win Win (R) 11:40,2:25,5:20,8:10,10:55

■ The Lincoln Lawyer (R) 1:10,4:10,7:20,10:15

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■ Mars Needs Moms 3D (PG) 11:35,2:00,4:15,6:30,8:55

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■ AMC Independent Kill the Irishman (R) 1:00,6:45

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SPRING FLING

The day's news from Cubs and White Sox spring training

MONDAY'S RESULTS

- » Cincinnati 9, White Sox 1
- » Cleveland 4, Cubs 3

TUESDAY'S GAMES

» White Sox at Kansas City, 2:05 p.m. » Cubs vs. Arizona, 3:05 p.m.



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DOWN, BUT NOT OUT

White Sox shortstop
Alexei Ramirez
was scratched from
Monday's lineup
because of back
spasms. However,
manager Ozzie
Guillen said the njury
should not prevent
Ramirez from starting
Friday in the season
opener at Cleveland.

OPENING DAY COUNTDOWN

3

Days until the Cubs, Sox openers

Honk if you love the Bears

Fans now can let license plates do the talking

RedEye

The Bears are on the vanity plate bandwagon.

Like Cubs and Blackhawks fans before them, Bears die-hards now can profess their loyalty on their cars. Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White unveiled the new Bears permanent Illinois license plate Monday in

Chicago. Officials said \$25 from each license plate will go to an education fund for Illinois public schools.

But fans shouldn't have all the fun. We've got suggestions for what Bears players can say with their license plates.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

» Barry Bonds' former mistress said in court Monday that the base-ball star's testicles changed shape and he often became enraged with her, which prosecutors say is evidence that Bonds used steroids.



PHILADELPHIA 97, BULLS 85

Thaddeus Young's 21 points led six Philadelphia players in double figures as the 76ers snapped the Bulls' 14game home win streak with a 97-85 victory Monday at United Center. The Bulls last lost at home Jan. 18.

GAME PLANNER

Blackhawks at Boston 6:30 p.m. Versus

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Streeterville's **Salute** (46 E. Superior St.) has closed. The owner plans to reopen May 3 as Mexican restaurant **Cantina 46**.

Springlineup

The beers you'll be drinking next

By Erin Brereton

It may not feel like spring—what's with this weather?—but the season is right on schedule at local breweries. Here are new and seasonal releases that we're extra excited about. Like spring, these beers aren't likely to last long—grab 'em before they're gone.

Three Floyds' Blackheart

Why you need this beer: Because you may not be able to get your hands on Three Floyds' biggest spring release, Dark Lord Russian Imperial Stout. (The stout is only available at the Munster, Ind.-based brewery's annual Dark Lord Day, and tickets for the fest are long gone.) Aim instead for Blackheart, an India pale ale with hints of oak and vanilla that's brewed with English malt and hops. Three Floyds sales manager Lincoln Anderson calls it "deceptively strong."

Also incoming: Three Floyds plans to bottle Zombie Dust and add it to its seasonal lineup. The citrus-tinged pale ale has been available on draft, but look for it in six-packs soon. "It's a really refreshing and delicious summertime beer," Anderson said. We'll be ready.

When you can have it: Blackheart should be available around the third week of May, in 22-ounce bombers and on draft in local nubs

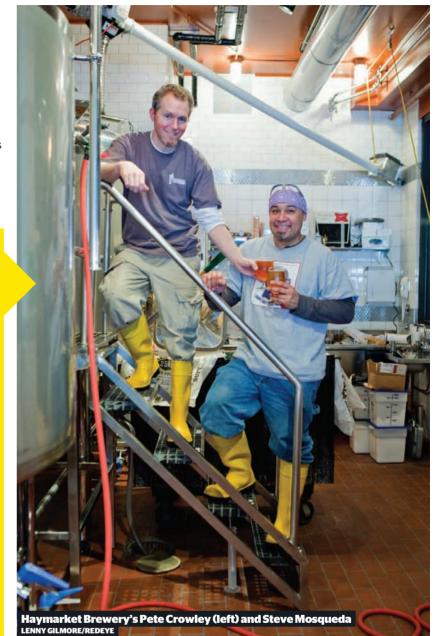
Haymarket's Come Back and Guzzle



Why you need this beer:
Forget Christmas in July—
Haymarket's holidays start in April. When the "12 Steps of Christmas" show opens Saturday in the pub's inhouse theater, Haymarket will begin offering the Belgian dark strong ale.
Spiced with cloves, nutmeg and cinnamon, Come Back and Guzzle is named for Dr. Seuss' real last name, Geisel, and his great-grandfather's

brewery, Kalmbach and Geisel, Haymarket owner and brewmaster Pete Crowley said.

When you can have it: Starting Saturday on draft at the West Loop brewpub, until it sells out. "Hopefully it lasts the four weeks [that the show runs]," Crowley says.





Revolution Brewing's God of War

Why you need this beer: The Logan Square brewpub's God of War is similar to an Oktoberfest/marzen style. "It's a little more full-bodied than standard lagers, with a caramel-y, amber-ish hue," Revolution manager Gabriel Boden said.

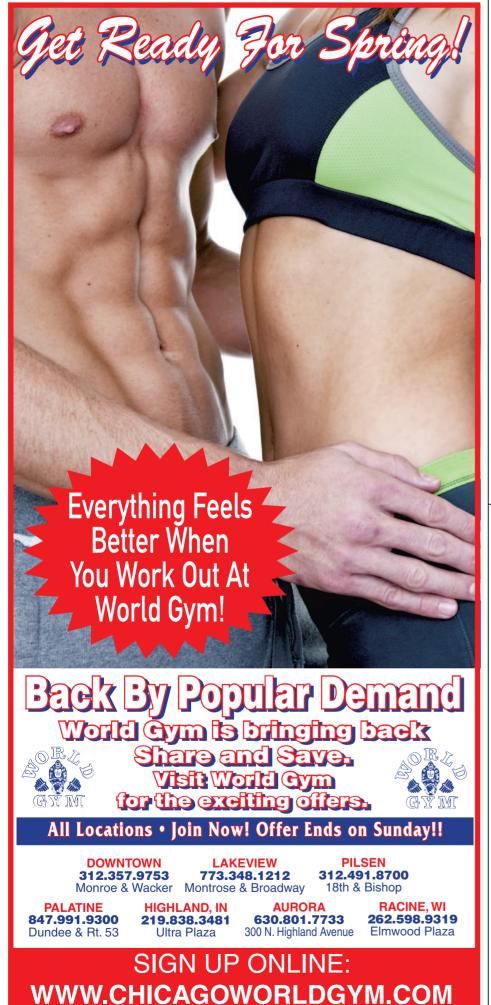
Also on tap, in mid-April: Revolution's dry, French-style Coup D'Etat saison, made with Belgian yeast, which "creates its own aromas—a slightly banana aroma, a spice aroma," Boden said. "We aim for spice."

When you can have it: Revolution releases new brews Wednesdays; look for God of War on April 6.

Finch's Cut Throat and Golden Wing

Why you need these beers: New brewery, new brews. Albany Park-based Finch's Beer debuts with two varieties: Cut Throat, a pale ale with a light orange peel finish, and Golden Wing, a blond ale with a lighter feel designed for warmweather drinking.

When you can have 'em: "We will be in bars by May 1," brand ambassador Kristin Denecke said. Look for Cut Throat and Golden Wing on draft at local spots such as Beer Bistro, Small Bar and Bangers & Lace. In addition, Finch's plans to release the brews in 16-ounce tallboy cans this summer. "We went with cans because they're almost 100 percent recyclable, as opposed to bottles," Denecke said. "They also keep the sun's rays completely out."

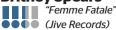






M New releases

Britney Spears



First. Britney, to answer your question: Yes. most people would hold their body against you if you asked, and no, despite your personal problems over the years, they wouldn't hold your comment against you.

That cheeseball play on words from "Hold It Against Me," the danceable-despite-its-stupidity first single off the pop star's seventh album, "Femme Fatale," represents all there is to Spears at this point. Her generic lyrics (sample: "I can't take it, take it, take no more: never felt like, felt like this before") are come-ons serving only as backdrops for dance numbers and halfhearted lip-synching at awards shows.

Of course, that doesn't matter when fans have come to expect only memorable hooks and club bangers, not an artist with anything to say. "Femme Fatale" constantly reiterates Spears' limitations as a singer (she sounds indifferent and childish trying to express emotion on "Trip to Your Heart" and the nasal "Criminal"), while saluting the fantastically glossy, throbbing production work on bootyshakers like the bouncing "I Wanna Go," irresistible "Gasoline" and the galloping "Till the



World Ends," with group "whoa-ohs" that fuel the chorus into sweaty overdrive.

Still, people should be able to move it on the dance floor without laughing at the same time. That's not possible during moronic cuts like "(Drop Dead) Beautiful" ("Your body looks so sick I think I caught the flu," sings Spears) and "How I Roll," featuring innuendo-throughpronunciation lyrics like "I wanna go downtown where the posse's at/'cause I got nine lives like a kitty cat." (Hint to that innuendo: It doesn't sound like she's saying "posse.") Yet nothing trumps "Big Fat Bass," a commentary on the size of the bass. It's getting bigger, in case you were wondering. -MATT PAIS

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9 p.m. \$15. Lincoln Hall, 2424 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-525-2501

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BRITNEY'S BACK—BUT SHE'S ALREADY GIVEN US SO MANY GREAT MEMORIES...

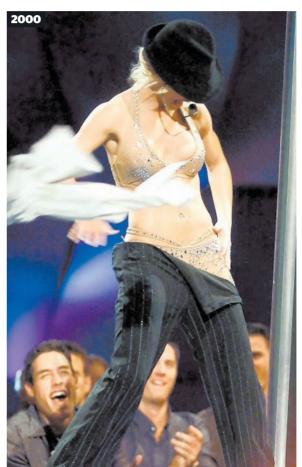
By Dana Moran | REDEYE

Britney's back-tell a friend. The pop megastar's seventh album, "Femme Fatale," launches Tuesday with a huge media blitz, including an appearance on "Good Morning America" and what MTV has dubbed "Britney take-

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over day." This certainly isn't the first time Brit's MTV antics have made us take notice. Remember the Madonna kiss? Of course you do. Here are some of Britney's best-and worst-musical moments through the lens of the MTV Video Music Awards. AP FILE PHOTOS







Hey girl hey

Britney showed her goods on the cover of Rolling Stone in April 2000, but her first solo VMAs appearance marked her official transition from sugar to spice. Starting out by singing the Rolling Stones' "(I Can't Get No) Satisfaction," she flung away her conservative threads to reveal a racy, fleshtoned outfit. Brit had arrivedcomplete with floor writhing.

Slippery business

What tops a striptease? Why, a giant albino snake, of course! Accompanying zebra-dressed dancers and a caged tiger, Brit slithered her way through her super-dirty song (with an even super-dirtier video), "I'm a Slave 4 U." PETA and parents were so not amused.

The new Madonna?

A smooch has to be pretty big to be known as "the kiss heard 'round the world." But that's exactly what happened when the pop princess locked lips with the reigning queen after performing "Like a Virgin" and "Hollywood." The world wondered: Was Madonna passing the throne to Brit? And, less importantly, did anyone notice that Christina Aguilera also got a kiss?

Oops ... try it again?

This was supposed to be Brit's rise from the ashes of her failed marriage to Kevin Federline, 55-hour Vegas wedding, reality TV show, buzz cut incident, etc., etc., etc. The clearly less-than-in-shape star lumbered through the dance steps during "Gimme More"—exactly what the audience, including ex Justin Timberlake, wasn't asking for.

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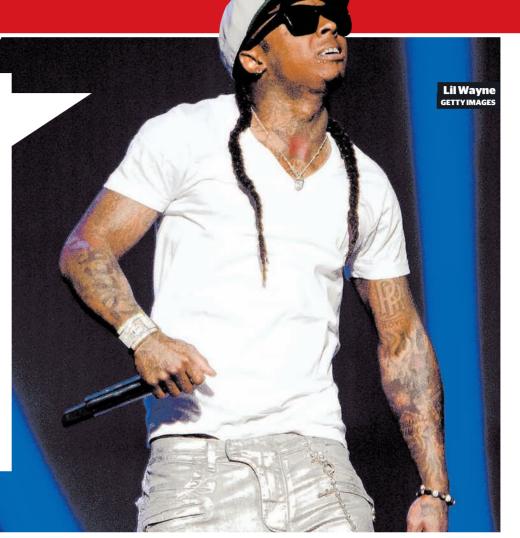


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"As long as people remember me forever, that will be enough for me."

-Lil Wayne in Interview magazine, where he also revealed he has two pet sharks. "Those are my dudes," he said.



Fiasco's sorry

release thing in Chicago. It

was NEVER supposed to be a show ...," Fiasco

tweeted. He later

tweeted that

"it will NEVER

EVER happen

again."

How bad was Lupe Fiasco's album release event Saturday at the House of Blues? Here's a clue:

The Chicago MC posted seven tweets Monday

to apologize and take responsibility after fans

rapper's brief performance. "To be clear to everyone that attended the House Of Blues Laser

were left disappointed by the "L.A.S.E.R.S."



Demetri Martin



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Lotsa laughs

Demetri Martin, Louis C.K. and "Community" star Joel McHale will bring their comedy to Chicago from June 14-18 as part of the **TBS Just For Laughs** festival. Joining them are talk show host George Lopez and Comedy Central roast mainstay Whitney Cummings, among many others. Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Saturday. Visit showpatroltv.com for a complete list of performers.





"Black Swan" is controversial again, and it has nothing to do with the lesbian sex scene. Natalie Portman, who won an Oscar for her role in the ballet flick, performed 80 percent of the dance scenes, director Darren Aronofsky told ew.com on Monday. That estimate is a big difference from the 5 percent estimated by Portman's body double, Sarah Lane. If ever there was a time for a dance-off, this is it.



Thanks, Snoop

Snoop Dogg dropped his album a few days early, but that's not the real news. He did it on ... MySpace? Yep, the rapper over the weekend released all 21 tracks of his latest album, "Doggumentary," on his MySpace page, ahead of the official release Tuesday. Thanks for the tracks, Snoop, but, really ... MySpace?

Mariah Carey is reeeaaaly pregnant

Whoa, mama

with twins. In a grainy photo posted Monday on Mimi's Twitter account, the diva's bulging belly is decorated with a painted-on butterfly and the words "dem babies." (Side note: If you want to get creeped out, read the comments on the photo from Carey's "fans.")

HOT DATE

APRIL 5

That's when discounted three-day passes for Lollapalooza go on sale at **jollapalloza**. com (no word on their exact price). This year's fest takes place Aug. 5-7 in Grant Park.